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☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413
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INVENTION CENTRALIZED CONTROL AND MANGEMENT SYSTEM FOR AUTOMOBILES

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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

### Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-12 and 54-61, 65, 81-88, 92-97 and 101-110 are allowed over the prior arts of record.

A system for use in a vehicle include an engine compartment, the engine compartment having a plurality of components; a display for displaying of items each representing a respective one of the components in the engine compartment, the displayed items being arranged on the displayed in substantially the same relation to one another as the components represented thereby in the engine compartment, each component corresponding to one or more of the information objects, and a processor activating the one or more of the information objects corresponding to the component by the selected item to provide information concerning the component, is not taught in the prior art of record in combination with the other limitations of the claims.

The present invention comprises a remote controlled, monitoring and security system for vehicle. The closest prior art, Joao (US 5,917,405) shows a similar system which transmitting a signal, in response to an user or operator accessing and/or activating the apparatus. However, Joao fails to "the displayed items being arranged on the displayed in substantially the same relation to one another as the components represented thereby in the engine compartment, each component corresponding to one or more of the information objects; and a processor activating the one or more of the information objects corresponding to the component by the selected item

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to provide information concerning the component." This distinct feature has been added to sole independent claim and renders it allowable.

Applicant has claimed uniquely distinct features in the instant invention which are not found in the prior art either singularly or in combination. They are the plurality of sources providing a plurality of entertainment program, the entertainment programs being classified in a plurality of categories based on contents of the entertainment program.

The present invention is directed to on-board communication system. Each dependent claims 60 and 87 are identified the uniquely distinct features "the plurality of sources providing a plurality of entertainment program, the entertainment programs being classified in a plurality of categories based on contents of the entertainment program." The closest prior art, Hapka (US 5,619,412) discloses conventional to vehicle control systems which can remotely modify operating functions of a vehicle's engine via an on-board vehicle communication system, either singularly or in combination, fail to anticipate or render the above underline limitation obvious.

Applicant has claimed uniquely distinct features in the instant invention which are not found in the prior art either singularly or in combination. They are a system for use in a vehicle to adjust a position of an item in the vehicle, a track; an actuator for moving the item in the vehicle along the track.

The present invention is directed to on-board communication system. Each dependent claims 54 and 81 are identified the uniquely distinct features "an interface for moving the indicator on the display an actuator for moving the item in the vehicle along the track." The

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closest prior art, Young et al. (US 5,684,490) discloses conventional the vehicle operations highway motor vehicle guidance for guiding a land along a roadway using a forward looking, lateral position sensing, monopulse tracking radar guidance system which transmits radar pulse forward of the vehicle; either singularly or in combination, fail to anticipate or render the above underline limitation obvious.

#### Response

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## Inquires

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Cao (Kevin) Nguyen whose telephone number is (703) 305-3972. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:30 am to 6:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Matthew Kim, can be reached on (703) 308-3116. The fax number for this group is (703) 308-6606.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

Cao "Kevin" Nguyen March 23, 2001

RAYMOND J. BAYERL PRIMARY EXAMINER ART UNIT 2173